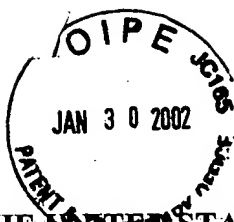


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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 5, 2001 requiring an election of inventions, applicant submits the Remarks presented below.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-6 remain in this application.

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